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## Tomatoes and Products

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### Report Highlights:

**We have increased our estimates of Chile's tomato paste production and exports for MY2001 due to additional information from industry sources.**

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Includes PSD changes: Yes  
Includes Trade Matrix: Yes  
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## **General**

As a result of additional information obtained from industry sources we are increasing our previous production figures for MY1999 (Jan-Dec, 2000) and MY2000 (Jan-Dec 2001). In addition, tomato paste exports for MY2000 were significantly larger than previously estimated as the industry decided to lower excess stocks by significantly reducing prices. As a result, export prices fell from US\$657 per metric ton in CY2000 to US\$559 per metric ton in CY2001.

For MY2001 (Jan-Dec 2002), a small increase in planted area coupled with good weather conditions during harvest will result in greater production than our previous estimate. In addition, the quality of tomato production should be better than previously expected as a result of good weather conditions.

However, we should caution that these production estimates of Chile's tomato and tomato products are based on sketchy and sometimes misleading information. Independent and authoritative sources are lacking because of the highly competitive nature of the local industry.

PSD Table						
Country	Chile					
Commodity	Tom. Paste,28-30% TSS Basis				(MT)(MT, Net Weight)	
	Revised	1999	Preliminary	2000	Forecast	2001
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		01/2000		01/2001		01/2002
Deliv. To Processors	864000	864000	760000	879700	560000	864000
Beginning Stocks	1363	1363	4099	12099	1419	2410
Production	102000	110000	100000	111000	74000	102000
Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	103363	111363	104099	123099	75419	104410
Exports	87584	87584	91000	109009	62000	90000
Domestic Consumption	11680	11680	11680	11680	11710	11710
Ending Stocks	4099	12099	1419	2410	1709	2700
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	103363	111363	104099	123099	75419	104410

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Chile		
Commodity	Tom. Paste,28-30 % TSS Basis		
Time period	Jan-Dec	Units:	M.T.
Exports for:	2000		2001
U.S.	672	U.S.	943
Others		Others	
Argentina	18618	Argentina	28039
Brazil	17327	Brazil	13870
Japan	11951	Venezuela	16045
Venezuela	9609	Japan	9520
Colombia	4451	Honduras	6923
Honduras	4265	Mexico	5145
Costa Rica	2846	Colombia	4692
Ecuador	2631	Italy	3621
Mexico	2368	Ecuador	3040
Guatemala	2328	Costa Rica	2718
Total for Others	76394		93613
Others not Listed	10518		14453
Grand Total	87584		109009